Original Hutchins & Mr James ffrisby sent to the House with the Journal. ffollowing paper from his Exncy Vizt

Gentlemen of the House of Deputyes & Delegates.

I desire you would accept of my hearty thankes for your

Obleigeing Congratulation.

If God Allmighty hath Enabled me to doe any thing worthy of good fame in the Countreyes where I have had, and Still haue the Hon to Comand, the praise be returned to him, As my thankes are to you for your kind acceptance of the same:

I haue Great reasons to hope your Actions will demonstrate you truely loyall to their Most Sacred Majties, And that you will uphold and assert the Just Rights & priviledges of those whome you doe soe worthily represent. I doe & shall Endeavour to discharge my Duty to God & their most Sacred Majties And all the good that possible Can shall be done to this great Colony in Generall & to yor Selves in particular by ffr: Nicholson.

The ffollowing Message Ordered to be drawne up to send

To the House

Whereas the House of Burgesses haveing by a Message Signifyed to this Board that upon the peruseall of the Indentures Returned by the Severall Sherriffes they found none Returned for Cæcill County, this Board thereupon did Order prosecution to be made therein according to Law and the House since signifyeing that they had received the said Indentures and are satisfyed about the Accident & Reason whye the same came not sooner to hand withall praying that his Exncy would be pleased to pardon & Excuse the sd Defect of John Carvile Sherriffe of the said County occasioned by the This Board upon Consideration of the Accident aforesaid. same doe likewise (seeing the House is satisfyed) thinke fit to pass by & Remit the same, Sent by Coll: Hutchins & Mr ffrisby, together with the following Bills, Vizt

Act concerning those Servants that have Bastards, p. 32 Act for punishment of Blasphemy fornication & Adultrey, Act for Advancemt of Coynes.

And the Additionall Act to the Act of Religion, with the aforementioned Remarkes of the Honoble Councill therein; And the Style Recomended to the House to be Given to the Laws.

Somerset County Petition about the Court house & the Returne of the Sherriffe upon a former Order of Councill Relateing thereto being Referred to the house,

Ordered that the sd petition be likewise thither Referred. The Same was sent by Coll: Hutchins & Coll Browne.

Adjourne till Munday Morning.